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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

TRACY E. MESECHER and CHARICE A. MESECHER, husband and wife,

Plaintiffs,

HD HUDSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY,

Defendant.

ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE ~ 1

NO: 2:17-CV-299-RMP

ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE

A Notice of Removal was filed in the above-captioned cause on August 25, 2017, ECF No. 1. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. Rule 4(m), the Complaint must be served upon the defendant within ninety days of filing. Although the state court rules govern service of process before removal, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure apply to procedural questions after removal. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 81(c). The ninety-day timeframe for service under federal law begins on the date that the action is removed to federal court. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 81(c)(1). There is nothing in the

record to indicate that service of the summons and complaint upon Defendant HD Hudson Manufacturing Company has been accomplished.

On February 8, 2018, the Court entered an Order to Show Cause directing Plaintiff, within ten days of the date of the order, to "... show cause, in a writing ... why all claims against Defendant HD Hudson Manufacturing Company should not be dismissed without prejudice for failure to timely effect service." Additionally, Plaintiff was cautioned that failure to respond would result in the entry of an Order of Dismissal without Prejudice. *See* ECF No. 14 at 2. Plaintiff has failed to respond to the Order of the Court within the allotted time. Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**:

- 1. Plaintiff's Complaint and all claims against Defendant HD Hudson are dismissed without prejudice and without costs to any party.
- 2. All pending motions, if any, are **DENIED AS MOOT**.
- 3. All scheduled court hearings, if any, are **STRICKEN**.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The District Court Clerk is directed to enter this Order, provide copies to counsel, and close this case.

DATED March 6, 2018.

s/Rosanna Malouf Peterson

ROSANNA MALOUF PETERSON
United States District Judge